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1. Three factories for the production of a poison gas which induces paralysis are being erected in Jajce. The work is directed by a group of three Russian and eight German engineers who live in the forest nearby. Work is being done exclusively by soldiers, and the site is surrounded by barbed wire.
2. According to the soldiers, large steel cylinders are being filled with poison gas at the factories. The cylinders are handled with great care.
3. One cylinder accidentally fell from a truck, rolled down a gully 30 m deep, and exploded with little noise. Soldiers sealed off the area for an hour. Shepherds found unconscious 300 m away were taken to a hospital, where they regained consciousness after 24 hours but were still unable to move their limbs. They said the gas left a pleasant taste in their mouths.
4. The shepherds were X-rayed, blood tests were made, and they were interrogated by OZNA. Three days after the accident they were given 600 dinars each, new clothes and shoes, and food parcels, and allowed to go home. When one of the shepherds asked an OZNA agent to explain this generosity, he was threatened with prison and beatings if he talked about the incident.
5. Large quantities of ammunition are being brought to Jajce from Sarajevo.
6. There are heavy movements of Russian arms and ammunition on the Danube, where tanks, armored cars, repair shops, and dredges have been observed. Some of

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